

Pitchers Hustle Under Warm Sun---Letters and Reinhard Lose---Perritt a Giant

PITCHERS AT CAMP GRIFFITH PERMITTED TO UNCORK ARMS

Coach Jack Ryan Gives Signal For First Real Strenuous Work as Sun Shines Warmly On Field.

Catchers Henry and Ainsmith Take Charge of Young Twirlers---Shaw and Clarke Stricken With Soreness.

By "BUGS" BAER.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, March 3.—The appearance of a beaming sun which made the atmosphere as warm as August was the signal for the pitchers at Camp Griff to loosen up a bit today, and Coach Jack Ryan gave his permission for the first real strenuous work of the camp.

As early as 9 o'clock the entire staff of twirlers was on Lambeth Field and Ainsmith and Henry had to be relieved on the receiving end by "Old Jack" Ryan, himself.

So carefully have Ryan and Martin watched the athletes who are conditioning here that there is not a single case of sore arm in the camp, and the only aches and pains to date have been confined to isolated examples of leg weariness, caused by the first two days of track work. Jim Shaw and Young Allen Clarke, particularly, are leg sore.

Charlotteville caught the fog end of a cold snap and the recent Newport News tennis squabble which has been disrupting racket wielding society. A warm sun fortunately broke into the league about noon and dissipated both the cold snap and the squabble. It seems that Jack Ryan, the monitor of Camp Griff, ventured onto Lambeth field early in the morning and got all his toes frosted from the chill blasts permeating the stadium, and desiring to take no chances with the young players under his tuition, ordered the boys to practice on the sheltered tennis courts.

Now, every tennis bug knows that there are a lot of sins in tennis, but only one unforgivable one, and that one is wearing any shoe but the regulation rubber sole.

Jack's edicts practiced around on the tennis flits for an hour or so, all having the time of their young existence on the nice, level wind sheltered courts, until two students happened along carrying rackets, evidently over their shoulders. They found all the courts infested with animated Washington uniforms.

"Heavens," shrieked one, "Goodness," shrieked the other, and pale with concern, both pointed wildly at the rookies' feet.

"Spiked shoes," they shrieked in unison and rushed off to ring the alarm. Now, in the tennis world, wearing spiked shoes on a tennis court is equivalent to eating peas with a knife, or wearing rubber boots to tea dances. To the racketeer's mind, anybody who would wear spiked shoes on a tennis court would rob the orphan and the widow, or worse. It wasn't long before the rookies realized the seriousness of their offense, and the whole bunch started to quiver in their spiked shoes.

Fortunately, before a drum-head court martial was proclaimed, Jack Ryan arrived on the scene simultaneously with the sun, and after explanations were made, the crew beat it for Lambeth field.

When it comes to shifting peck swiftly, this burg has it on 'em all. Today's movie opened up with the thermometer having an average like Joe Engel, but by the time they whirled in the second roll of film, the old mercury was hitting like Ty Cobb. In the A. M. everyone was wrapped up like a sore thumb, but by two o'clock the kids were shedding their winter coats like a Scotch collic in July.

From a scene of desolation Lambeth Field swiftly changed into a panorama of pep and glee. There were ball-batters everywhere, the rookies running and fielding and batting. Pop Lannigan had about 300 of his stars out, keeping the other 40 in reserve for a rainy day.

Darwin had a lot of theories, but even he never explained to the waiting world the psychological phenomena of Camp Griff. Why does Joe Engel insist on carrying a bat wherever he goes?

Another mooted question is: Why does a ballplayer hate to chase one of his own overthrows?

John Henry, Eddie Ainsmith, and Ray Morgan busted into the hitting league, walloping the offerings of Joe Engel, Jack Bentley, Harry Harper, and Bud Ayers. Most of the balls dropped safely in the outfield, as Howard Shaubs is still on his honeymoon.

The newcomers, Hopper, Clarke, Russell, and Thornhill are all husky, rangy lads. Russell is especially built on the general outlines of a safe, but neither he nor the others made any attempt to smoke 'em up so any resume of their respective abilities would be simply conjecture.

The best time to judge a young pitcher in the spring is to wait until fall.

Douglas Neff has his first good workout with the boys, and galloped around the position made famous by Honus Wagner with speed to burn. Neff is in fine shape, and was kept busy writing out of the way of liners smashed at him by John Henry and Ray Morgan. Neff started in to cover shortstop, but before the afternoon waned at 4:30, had him

SOME SCENES FROM GRIFFMEN'S CAMP AT CHARLOTTESVILLE



The top scene shows you the vanguard of the Griffmen working out in the tennis courts at the University of Virginia. On the bottom is a group snapped on the steps of the training quarters. Jack Ryan, coach, sporting a classy coat and a cheroot is on the top step, Boehling and Henry being at his left. In the front row Harry Harper and Joe Engel are wearing sailor hats, brought from Annapolis. Jim Shaw's Scotch cap is prominent in the second row. The rest of the bunch are scribes and rookie twirlers.

MANAGER GRIFFITH LETS OUT PLAYERS

Neither Joe Letters, the former Mt. St. Mary's outfielder, nor young Reinhard, the local semi-pro infielder, will be taken South next Sunday by Manager Griffith.

Letters, explained the Old Fox today, "I had thought of giving him a trial this spring, but I find myself dangerously near being overworked at Charlottesville and so have notified him that I have no place for him. This goes for Reinhard, too. I don't know much about him and cannot find room for him at the training camp."

Walter Johnson, the league's greatest pitcher, and George McBride, dandy captain of the Griffmen, are both on their way to the Capital and are expected to get in some time late today.

covering short, left field, and most of the mountain in back of Lambeth Field.

Stevens, although practically one of the newcomers, considers himself a veteran, as he enjoyed the privilege of being waived on by Griff last spring.

John Henry is full of the old ginger and played every position on the diamond, besides a few new positions he invented during the afternoon.

While denying that he is fat, Ray Morgan will admit he is a trifle plump, but his embonpoint will not last long at the rate Ray is hitting the track. He spins around the long quarter-mile track so fast that he laps his shadow frequently.

Apparently Pop Lannigan hasn't been hit by the twenty-one-player rule. Pop has enough collegiate ball tossers under his wing to start seventeen revolutions in half.

TODAY'S SPORTORIAL

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

Havana, Cuba, seems destined to become the sporting center of the Western Hemisphere, and that, too, within a few months.

Capt. Cushman Rice, a New York and Havana capitalist just now in Washington, says that when the National Sporting Club of Cuba is formed, it will care for all branches of sports, and will have the backing of the Cuban government. Furthermore, he announces that strenuous efforts will be made to boom championships in all lines, golf, boxing, horse racing, baseball and even football.

"I expect the National Sporting Club will be formed within a few weeks," said Captain Rice today, "and inside of a very short time, you will hear of our progress. We have the most reputable men in Cuba behind the proposition, and in Dick Klegin and John R. Robinson we have found the right men to carry out the details."

"Curly Brown has done wonderfully well with his race meet in Havana. He has bumped into more runs than Cuba has experienced in the last fifteen years, but he has not lost heart. In another season he will attract all the best horses in the United States. The track itself is beautifully situated and exceedingly popular with the Cubans and Americans of Havana."

"John R. Robinson, in Cuba because of ill health, has made a good impression upon those whom he has met, and he is likely to become secretary of the National Sporting Club. He is a human dynamo, makes friends quickly and is a gentleman in every way. We feel sure that no better choice could be made than to appoint Robinson secretary."

"Dick Klegin, a man with a real presence, will probably be the one to meet the public. He introduced boxing in Paris, and knows the game from inside out. He, too, has made many friends in Havana."

"I shall probably be made president of the club, but I shall not figure very prominently in its affairs. I am in sport more for the sport's sake than anything else, and I am pleased to have met such good gentlemen as Robinson and Klegin."

Captain Rice assures the American public that Jack Johnson will never be allowed to box Jess Willard, or any other white man, in Havana. The feeling in the island is against mixing the two races in competition, he says. However, Johnson may have plenty of matches made for him with Sam McVey, Battling Jim Johnson or Sam Langford.

If Ray Morgan, the Griffmen's little second baseman, is really down so fine at this time, he may electrify the fans by his good work from the ring of the game. In condition, Morgan can easily beat out every other infield candidate for his position. Perhaps the boy has been working hard in Baltimore. If he has, he has merely shown himself possessed of good old fashioned common sense.

Herman Schaefer always was irrepressible. Instead of asking for permission to train with the major leaguers at Hot Springs, he simply joined them. Now the laugh is on Joy Kelley, who is afraid to fire him out because he's a Fed.

"POLL" PERRITT IS NOW M'GRAW FLINGER

MARLIN, Tex., March 3.—A deal has just been put through between John McGraw and Miller Huggins by which the Giants get a first-class pitcher from the Cardinals' staff. "Poll" Perritt is on his way here from his home in Brice, La., to join the Giants, and is expected today, in the company of Dick Kinsella, whom McGraw sent to Brice to complete the deal which McGraw started when he left the Giants in Texarkana last Saturday.

The Cardinals are to get players from the Giants in exchange for Perritt, but just who they are is something not yet settled. That is to be decided later, and McGraw thinks Huggins will be here shortly from San Antonio to complete that end of the transaction. Huggins wants an infielder and an outfielder. McGraw has an abundance of these, but needed badly another good pitcher. The acquisition of Perritt ought to help his team a lot.

The Columbus Country Club basketball team, composed of some of the best basketballers in the city, will engage the Knights of Columbus team, of Richmond, here Saturday in the first of a series of intercity games. The Columbus team will be picked by Coach Jim Colliflower from Kelley, Georgetown's captain, Kewan, of V. C. Powers and Breslin, of the First Battery team; McCarthy, Walsh, and Clark.

The return game will be played in Richmond Saturday week, and the Columbus club is desirous of getting the jump on the Richmond players.

INTERNATIONAL WILL BE GIVEN ASSISTANCE

Major Leagues Contribute to Fund to Keep Ed Barrow's Organization in Game.

NEW YORK, March 3.—The International League has been rescued "from its financial difficulties and will surely go through the coming season with flying colors." This was learned today when it became known that both the National and American Leagues had consented to stand behind the International in their plucky fight against the Federal League. Both President Tener and President Johnson have come to President Barrow's aid by furnishing ample money for the International League.

Just what amount the two major leagues have contributed is not known, but it is sufficient to carry the class AA league through its present difficulties. President Barrow went to Buffalo today to reorganize that club. The Federal League last season proved a strong opposition to the Buffalo club, and organized baseball came to the rescue just as the same they did for the Baltimore club. However, in the case of Baltimore, Jack Dunn, when he sold several of his stars to the major leagues, made enough money to reimburse organized baseball for its help.

With these new resources it is expected that the Buffalo and Jersey City clubs will be put on a firm financial footing. The league will assume part of the responsibility of both clubs, and will operate them as part of the corporation.

Just as soon as President Barrow returns from Buffalo, he will give all his attention to the Jersey City club. Billy Gibson, one of the promoters, who is interested in getting the Jersey City club to reorganize, stated today there is still a chance of transferring the Jersey City club to the Bronx. The Bronx board of trade will hold a meeting with a few days will at that time make a strong appeal to President Hempstead to surrender that part of his territory to the new club.

CHICAGO, March 3.—Federal Judge Landis will unmask another Federal League mystery when he renders his decision in the Federal League dissolution suit against the O. B. managers. President Weechman announced today he is ready to sign "one of the best pitchers in baseball," a new wonder, as good as Walter Johnson, when a decision comes down. His name was not given.

EL PASO, Tex., March 3.—Promoters of the Johnson-Willard boxing contest announced today that a committee of El Paso business men had telegraphed Jack Johnson a guarantee for his safe conduct to Juarez and return, offering a cash bond as assurance.

Tom Jones, Jess Willard's manager, said he would not take his boxer to Havana unless promoters there put up a sufficient cash guarantee.

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will clash tonight at the Gayety, with Con Albright. Albright comes to Washington with world-wide reputation, having defeated such men as Young Olson, Sam Anderson, Bob Barry and many others.

Rookies and Regulars

MACON, Ga., March 3.—The champion Braves begin their second day's practice today, feeling little the worse for yesterday's work-out. Evers led his men, going through the opening war maneuvers as skillfully as any though he did not keep on the jump for several hours as was the case with some of the youngsters. Cochrane, Crutcher, and Gilbert threw them over in the "groove" for the champs to pummel just as hard as they could. James, Strand, Whitted, and Luque are still missing.

SAVANNAH, March 3.—Manager Donovan of the Yankees today devoted his attention to the youngsters on the team, and put them through some hard practice. Donovan is letting the veterans work themselves into condition slowly.

Three more Yankees—Walter Clarkson, a semi-professional pitcher from Milwaukee, who was attached to the club on his own recommendation, and Hugh High and "Dale" Daley, outfielders—reported to "Pill" Donovan today. Clarkson and High came in on an early train and participated in the first day's workout, but Daley did not appear until the rest of the athletes were enjoying a late luncheon.

DAYTONA, March 3.—The Dodgers' spring training is being hampered by poor grounds, the rain putting the field in poor playing condition. The men, however, are being given batting practice, and a scrub game will be played Saturday.

PASO ROBLES, Cal., March 3.—The Chicago White Sox were put through a stiff practice during the forenoon today, the last prior to the departure of the team for Los Angeles to begin daily games in a tour of southern California. The first game will be with Los Angeles tomorrow. The second team rested in Oakland today, and tomorrow begins a series with Oakland and San Francisco teams.

HOT WELLS, Tex., March 3.—A four-mile hike along the roads to get the kinks out of stiffened muscles caused by the first day's work-out, together with swimming, billiards and cards, was the program for the second day in the camp of the Cardinals. It was raining today.

HOUSTON, March 3.—The St. Louis Browns were idle today, owing to the wet weather.

HAVANA, March 3.—The St. Louis Browns, led by Fielder Jones, held morning and afternoon practice today. They will play a game with the Havana Reds Thursday.

MARLIN, Tex., March 3.—Another day of beautiful weather greeted the Giants today and Manager McGraw was all smiles at the completion of the deal that brings "Poll" Perritt to the Giants. Now watch us sail through this league," grinned McGraw. "The Braves will do well to keep us from pushing them back right from the jump."

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., March 3.—All the Phillies, with the exception of absentee Niekroff and Bancroft, will hit the "trail" to coffee-pot park this morning for light practice. A contest is scheduled between the rookies and regulars tomorrow.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 3.—Rushing pell-mell into training yesterday Mack's so-called regulars defeated the Yankees 7 to 4 in twelve smashing innings. The Athletics' roster is complete with the exception of Olding.

AUGUSTA, Ga., March 3.—Signs of tenderness in spots were displayed by the rookies and regulars of the Braves here today, following the first strenuous work-out. Ed Knoetche, former Pirate, Steve Yerkes, former Red Sox, and Manager Coker showed much pep in the two hours of hard labor.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 3.—Soggy grounds may lead to the "straight and narrow" in the case of the Cleveland Indians, as Joe Birmingham is negotiating with the Y. M. C. A. for use of its gymnasium for spring training.

GRIFFPORT, Miss., March 3.—Forced to "hit the dirt" in the sliding pit on their first day out, most of the Tiger youngsters were sore and in some places hideous, today, from hitting the dirt in the sliding pits.

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